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TO AMEMBASSY NAIROBI

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS:MILI, MASS, KE, US

SUBJECT: PRESS STORIES ON US MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO KENYA

REF: NAIROBI 4287

1. DEPARTMENT AND DOD AGREE WITH EMBASSY/GOK PROPOSED RESPONSE TO PRESS INQUIRIES RE MAGNITUDE OF FMS CREDITS WE ARE OFFERING TO KENYA AND PURPOSE FOR WHICH CREDITS WILL BE USED; I.E. WE WILL DECLINE TO CONFIRM OR DENY REPORTS ON MAGNITUDE OF FMS CREDITS, POINTING OUT THAT ONLY FMS CREDIT AGREEMENT TO DATE WAS ONE FOR DOLS. 5 MILLION SIGNED JUNE 1975, THAT NO RPT NO TRANSACTIONS FOR ARMS SALES HAVE AS YET BEEN CONCLUDED AND NO RPT NO DELIVERIES OF EQUIPMENT HAVE BEEN MADE. WE WOULD CONFIRM THAT DOLS. 2 MILLION IN FMS FINANCING FOR KENYA IS SHOWN IN FY 1976 CONGRESSIONAL PRESENTATION DOCUMENT (WHICH IS UNCLASSIFIED AND IN THE PUBLIC DOMAIN).

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2. ADVANCE NOTIFICATION (CLASSIFIED CONFIDENTIAL) OF

PROPOSED F-5E/F SALE TO KENYA WILL HOPEFULLY BE TRANSMITTED TO CONGRESS WEEK MAY 3. TWENTY DAYS FOLLOWING TRANSMITTAL OF ADVANCE NOTIFICATION, FORMAL NOTIFICATION (PROBABLY UNCLASSIFIED) WILL BE SENT TO CONGRESS. SHORTLY THEREAFTER, UNSIGNED LOA WILL BE SENT TO EMBASSY FOR GOK REVIEW AND COMMENTS. (EMBASSY WILL BE ADVISED ON TIMING AND DETAILS AIR FORCE TEAM CARRYING UNSIGNED LOA.) CONGRESS (UNDER PRESENT LEGISLATION) THEN HAS 20 DAYS TO COMMENT. IF CONGRESS DOES NOT COMMENT AND GOK AGREES TO LOA, IT COULD THEN BE SIGNED. SISCO

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